

CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

This department contains official notices, reports of county society proceedings and other information having to do with the State Association and its component county societies. The copy for the department is submitted by the State Association Secretary, to whom communications for this department should be sent. Rosters of State Association officers and committees and of component county societies and affiliated organizations, are printed in the front advertising section on pages 2, 4 and 6.



Photograph of members of the California Medical Association in attendance at the annual session of the Medical Society of the State of California (now the California Medical Association), held at Hotel Del Monte, April 20, 1899. Original photograph has been donated to the California Medical Association for its archives by Lemuel P. Adams, of Oakland. Former presidents of the Association who appear in the photograph are: R. Beverly Cole (1884); W. Le Moyne Wills (1895); William Watt Kerr (1898); Thomas W. Huntington (1911), and Harry M. Sherman (1914 and 1915). The founder of the official journal, Philip M. Jones, is also among those present. Dr. Kaspar Pischel of San Francisco is the only living member of the group, so far as is known. Information concerning unidentified members is requested. First row, from left to right: (1) —, (2) D. D. Crowley, (3) James Black, (4) J. D. Arnold, (5) Le Moyne Wills, (6) Philip Mills Jones, (7) —. Second row, seated: (8) —, (9) —, (10) John S. Adams, (11) Prof. Joseph Le Conte of University of California, (12) —, (13) George Chismore, (14) William Watt Kerr, (15) R. Beverly Cole, (16) —. Third row, standing: (17) — Burke, (18) George Hare, (19) G. S. Frisbee, (20) —, (21) Harry M. Sherman, (22) Kaspar Pischel, (23) —, (24) —, (25) Manson, (26) —, (27) Thomas W. Huntington, (28) C. C. Wadsworth, (29) Dudley Tait.

CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION†

CHARLES A. DUKES.....President
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LOWELL S. GOIN.....Speaker
KARL L. SCHAUPP.....Council Chairman
GEORGE H. KRESS.....Secretary and Editor

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COUNCIL OF THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Two Hundred and Eighty-First (281st) Meeting of the Council of the California Medical Association

The meeting was held in Room 302 of the Sir Francis Drake Hotel, Sutter and Powell Streets, San Francisco, on Saturday, February 17, 1940. The Council convened at 9:30 a. m.

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schaupp, when the following members were present: President Charles A. Dukes, President-Elect Harry H. Wilson, Chairman of the Council Karl L. Schaupp; Councilors Calvert L. Emmons, George D. Maner, Louis A. Packard, Axel E. Anderson, C. Kelly Canelo, Henry S. Rogers, Philip K. Gilman, E. Earl Moody, Elbridge J. Best, Frederick N. Scatena, and F. A. MacDonald; O. D. Hamlin, Chairman of Public Relations Committee George G. Reinle, and Secretary-Treasurer George H. Kress.

Present by invitation: Vice-Speaker Dewey R. Powell, Legal Counsel Hartley F. Peart and associate, Howard Hassard; Mr. Ross Marshall, Counsel on Public Relations; and Mr. Ben Read, Secretary of Public Health League of California.

Absent: Past President William W. Roblee, Speaker Lowell S. Goin, C. O. Tanner, and William H. Kiger.

2. Minutes of the Council.

It was moved by Charles A. Dukes, seconded by C. Kelly Canelo, that the minutes of the 280th meeting of the Council, as published in the February, 1940, issue of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, be approved. Carried.

3. Membership.

The Secretary reported that there were 6,349 active members, 4 associate, and 85 retired members on December 31, 1939, making a total membership of 6,438 members.

4. Reinstatement of Delinquent Members.

It was moved by A. E. Anderson, seconded by C. A. Dukes, that all members who had failed to pay their dues prior to April 1, 1939, and had not previously been reinstated by the Council, and whose dues had been subsequently forwarded to the Association by their respective county societies, be reinstated to membership. (By-Laws, Chapter II, Section 2b.) Carried.

5. Retired Memberships.

On recommendation of their respective county medical societies, the following retired memberships were granted:

Lillian B. Mahan, San Diego (San Diego County Medical Society).

Alfred J. Scott, Jr., Los Angeles (Los Angeles County Medical Association).

6. Affiliate Fellowship.

After consideration of membership data received, and the request of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, it was moved by Phillip K. Gilman, seconded by Calvert L. Emmons, that the Council of the California Medical Association recommend to the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association that Ernest W. Fleming of Los Angeles be granted affiliate fellowship in the American Medical Association. Carried.

7. Santa Barbara County Medical Society.

A letter of February 16, 1940, from the Santa Barbara County Medical Society regarding memberships in Kern and Santa Barbara Societies, was presented for the information of the Council.

The Secretary was instructed to reply that District Councilor Packard had reported that the application of a Santa Barbara member for transfer to Kern County is being considered in regular course by the Kern County Medical Society.

8. Ventura and Los Angeles County Society Memberships.

Discussion was had of the membership of a physician residing in Ventura County and holding membership in the Los Angeles County Medical Association.

Legal Counsel Peart submitted a report thereon, as based on a review of the correspondence in the Association files.

It was the sense of the Council that the Secretary inform the Los Angeles and Ventura County Medical Societies that at the Coronado annual session the Council will be glad to discuss this problem in an effort to clarify the question of membership status that had arisen.

9. Termination of Suspension Period.

The Secretary reported that the Council's decision on the appeal of A. T. Martin, a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, had been forwarded to the member and to the county society, and that date of suspension would expire on February 24, 1940, one month after the receipt of such notification.

10. Journals to Retired Members.

Report was made that CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, during recent years, had been sent gratuitously to seventy-nine retired members, at an approximate cost of \$300 per year.

It was moved by Louis Packard, seconded by A. E. Anderson, that retired members of the California Medical Association be informed that such membership does not include subscription to the JOURNAL, but that a special subscription price of \$3 per year will be granted such members on request. Carried.

11. Membership List.

A request from the Kern County Postgraduate Committee for a list of members of the Kern County Medical Society and adjacent county societies was presented.

It was the sense of the Council that the Association would be glad to cooperate, without cost to county societies. It was suggested that the service offered by use of the addressograph be called to the attention of persons making such requests.

12. Special Assessment.

Recent requests for refunds of special assessment, and other letters relating to the special assessment levied by the House of Delegates, as of date of June 1, 1939, were referred to the House of Delegates for consideration at the Coronado annual session.

13. Financial Report for January.

Copies of the Treasurer's report for the month of January, 1940, were presented to all councilors.

14. Audit for 1939.

Treasurer Kress submitted, and read excerpts from the audit for the year 1939, covering receipts and expenditures for the California Medical Association, the Trustees Of The California Medical Association, and the Indemnity Defense Fund, as prepared by Ernst & Ernst, certified public accountants.

There being no objection, the audit as submitted was received.

15. Loans to California Physicians' Service.

The Treasurer called attention to the fact that notes covering loans to the California Physicians' Service did not bear interest. It was the consensus of the Council that this was the intent when the authorization of the loans was made, and therefore no interest is to be specified on the two \$6,000 loans (one for December, the other for January), authorized at the October 7, 1939, meeting of the Council.

General Counsel Peart stated that the interest provided for on any loans which may be made from the Indemnity Defense Fund, was specified because that was a trust fund. It was stated that, up to the present time, no loans had been made from Indemnity Defense Fund balances.

16. Budget for Year 1941.

There being no further revision of the budget for the year 1941 as prepared by the Auditing Committee and approved by the Council, consideration was deferred until the annual session at Coronado.

17. Library Donations by the California Medical Association.

Chairman of the Auditing Committee, Dr. Philip K. Gilman, stated that he had requested reports from Lane and Barlow Medical Libraries concerning their respective services to the medical profession, these two libraries having been the recipients of money grants from the California Medical Association during the last several years.

The report of the Lane Medical Library, stressing the value and necessity of such donations, was read.

It was moved by Frank MacDonald, seconded by George Reinle, that the letter received from the Lane Medical Library (and also that received from Barlow Medical Library of the Los Angeles County Medical Association) be published in the OFFICIAL JOURNAL for the information of members. Carried.

The Council suggested that a copy of the letter be sent to the Washington, Oregon, and Hawaii Medical Societies,

calling attention to the value of the work rendered by the Lane Library.

18. Annual Session Equipment.

The Treasurer called the attention of the Council to the fact that the Bausch & Lomb Optical Company, who under a previous administration, during March, 1938, had furnished new lanterns and rebuilt several old pieces of apparatus of the California Medical Association, had never submitted a bill for the costs, and were now asking that the purchases be paid.

It was moved by Charles Dukes, seconded by F. N. Scatena, that the bill of Bausch & Lomb, in the amount of \$497.93, be approved. Carried.

19. Stenographers' Salaries.

The Secretary presented the requests of Miss Smith and Miss Laughlin, clerical assistants in the headquarters' office, for increases in salaries.

It was moved by Henry Rogers, seconded by F. N. Scatena, that the Chairman of the Auditing Committee and the Secretary investigate, with power to act. Carried.

20. Public Relations Counsel.

Mr. Ross Marshall, Counsel on Public Relations for the California Medical Association Committee on Public Health Education (special assessment), outlined the work that was being carried on in relation to publicity in newspapers, magazines, through speaking engagements before luncheon and civic clubs, dissemination of health information to schools, adult forums, and other interested groups. Mr. Marshall also discussed possible publicity through films.

The Council deferred action on films for publicity, pending the report of the special committee which had been appointed by the Committee on Public Health Education to investigate this subject.

21. Agricultural Workers' Health and Medical Association.

Dr. Karl L. Schaupp, representative of the California Medical Association on the Advisory Board to the Agricultural Workers' Health and Medical Association, presented a detailed report of a recent inspection tour of California, New Mexico, and Arizona. Doctor Schaupp stated that \$1,600,000 had been paid dentists and physicians for dental and medical care rendered to migrants: for hospitalization, \$409,126; for drugs, \$73,000; for nursing, \$7,900; medical supplies, \$26,000; special diets, \$25,000. Doctor Schaupp stated that the total cost of care per family in California, including cost of administration, was \$88.87, and in Arizona was \$65 (covering a period from March, 1939 until December 31, 1939). The medical cost per family in California was \$71, or approximately \$31.51 per person, and the administrative cost was \$15.85. Doctor Schaupp cited districts in which hospital facilities were not available, and stated that some provision for care of patients in emergencies was absolutely necessary. Doctor Schaupp reported that he had been asked by the Agricultural Workers' Health and Medical Association to request the Council of the California Medical Association to approve procedures that would provide medical centers for the emergency care of patients needing medical service.

Doctor Schaupp stated that at the present time it was contemplated to build one such emergency medical center in Arizona, but none were contemplated for California although later one might be built in an isolated district near Firebaugh, in Fresno County.

Discussion was then had of the possibility of furnishing, through the California Physicians' Service, medical care to those eligible for aid under the Agricultural Workers' Health and Medical Association.

It was moved by Harry H. Wilson, seconded by Louis A. Packard, that the Council of the California Medical

Association recommend that arrangements be instituted to make it possible for the California Physicians' Service to become the medical service organization of groups under municipal, county, state, and federal relief, in order that the medical profession through its organization might, as soon as practicable, meet the great need of these unfortunate people for widespread efficient medical care. Carried.

22. Public Health League.

Mr. Ben Read, Secretary of the Public Health League of California, outlined the activities of his organization during the past months for the protection of the health of the public. He spoke briefly concerning legislation of interest to the profession, that might be considered during the present special session, such as the bill relating to granting of certificates by hospitals, a bill to make the recent nurses legislation workable, a health insurance bill providing for payment of premiums by employers, and a bill to permit transfer of funds from special to general fund. Mr. Read stated that health insurance would undoubtedly be presented as an initiative measure at the state election in November next.

23. Noon Recess.

At this point, a recess of the Council was declared for luncheon.

24. Statistical Health Service Information.

Discussion was had of the information available, through the State University of California, in relation to health insurance and medical economics. The possibility of collecting this data and compiling it in a manner that would be of value to physicians throughout the state was discussed.

It was moved by Charles A. Dukes, seconded by Frank MacDonald, that the Council authorize the Committee on Public Health Education to expend necessary funds to gather statistical and other information on compulsory health and medical service plans. Carried.

25. Special Assessment Amendments.

The Secretary was instructed to send copies of a proposed by-law, prepared by Legal Counsel Peart, to all members of the Council for their information and suggestions.

26. Indemnity Defense Fund.

The General Counsel read a letter addressed to the Trustees of the Indemnity Defense Fund, calling attention to the fact that a Lloyd's policy had been purchased to cover any legal liability in regard to malpractice, which might be incurred by the Indemnity Defense Fund during the remaining period of its existence.

27. Journal to Lay Members of California Physicians' Service.

It was moved by Charles Dukes, seconded by Earl Moody, that the request of the California Physicians' Service that copies of the OFFICIAL JOURNAL be sent to lay members of its Board of Trustees and Administrative Board be granted. Carried.

28. Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement.

The Chairman stated that the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement had been invited to send representatives to this meeting to discuss the California Physicians' Service.

Doctor MacDonald stated that provision for the care of indigent citizens and compilation of actuarial statistics were two of the features in which the Sacramento Society was particularly interested, and that since it had been brought out that these were now being considered, he felt that in time a solution of the problem would be forthcoming.

Doctor Schaupp stated that he wished Doctor MacDonald to convey to the members of the Society that the

Council of the Association appreciated the viewpoints of members of the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement, and that the Council felt that, in time, the members of that county society would see that the future of the California Medical Association and the practice of medicine depended in large measure on the success of the California Physicians' Service, and that the Council, therefore, looks forward to the cooperation of the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement in making California Physicians' Service a success.

C. Kelly Canelo read a letter addressed to Doctor Kilgore, regarding medical coverage, for the information of the Council.

29. California Physicians' Service.

The Council discussed methods by which the profession in the various areas of the state could be more accurately informed on California Physicians' Service.

It was moved by George Reinle, seconded by Harry Wilson, that it is the policy of the Council of the California Medical Association to expect all county medical societies to organize their memberships into groups, dividing them into units as a matter of convenience, with colonels, captains, and lieutenants, so that an associated leader shall be able to contact the colleagues individually, and in such manner that every member of the Association would be interviewed and his views and attitude in regard to California Physicians' Service ascertained, each leader to report back to the head of his group. In this way it is hoped that California Physicians' Service may know how to proceed to better advantage in obtaining its objectives.

It was moved by Harry Wilson, seconded by Louis Packard, that a committee of three, consisting of President Dukes, Chairman of Public Relations Committee Reinle, and C. Kelly Canelo, be appointed to act as a steering committee in the development of this plan, taking over the responsibility of supervising its efficient establishment. Carried.

30. Executive Session.*

The Council then went into executive session for a consideration of special matters and reports.

31. Board of Medical Examiners.

The Secretary reported that the mail vote of the Council concerning the terms of office of Dr. Charles B. Pinkham and Dr. William R. Molony, Sr., as members of the Board of Medical Examiners, showed all members were in favor of their reappointment and that letters of endorsement had been sent in the name of the Association to Governor Culbert Olson.

32. Needy Members; Life Memberships.

General Counsel Peart submitted a draft of the proposed amendments to the by-laws to provide for aid to needy members of the California Medical Association, and for life membership in the California Medical Association.

It was moved by C. Kelly Canelo, seconded by F. A. MacDonald, that the proposed amendments to the by-laws, regarding needy members and life membership in the California Medical Association be referred to the special committee on revision of the Constitution and By-Laws. Carried.

33. Annual Session.

Doctor Kress, as chairman of the Committee on Scientific Work, reported that the Section on Medicine and allied specialties sections had invited E. H. Rynearson of the Mayo Foundation as a guest speaker, and that the Section on Surgery and allied specialties sections had invited I. S. Ravdin of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. W. H. Bueerman, Portland, of the Multnomah County

Medical Society, had also been invited for the opening session of Monday, May 6, to speak on the medical service plan of the Multnomah County Medical Society.

The Committee on Scientific Work also requested authorization to invite as guest speakers the Doctors Lawrence, to appear on the Thursday meeting.

On motion of F. N. Scatena, seconded by C. Kelly Canelo, this request was approved.

The Council, on motion of F. N. Scatena, seconded by F. A. MacDonald, approved the invitation of the anesthesiology section, extended to E. A. Rovenstein.

34. Entertainment.

On motion of A. E. Anderson, seconded by C. Kelly Canelo, the sum of \$200 was authorized to cover expense of entertainment, in connection with the annual session at Coronado.

35. Films.

Discussion was had of the cost of presenting a continuous film program at the Coronado annual session. It was decided that, because of the cost, limited space facilities, and change in the program set-up, the proposed plan be not tried out at this session. It was agreed that 16 mm. films could be presented between the hours of 4 to 6 p. m.

It was moved by C. Kelly Canelo, seconded by E. E. Moody, that the expense for demonstration of professional films be not allowed. Carried.

36. Golden Gate Exposition.

It was moved by George D. Maner, seconded by C. Kelly Canelo, that the California Medical Association continue its cooperation in the Golden Gate International Exposition, if the same can be done without further cost to the Association.

37. Humboldt County Medical Society.

Discussion was had of a medical service corporation operating in Humboldt County. General Counsel Peart, in an opinion based on the facts received by him, stated that he believed the organization referred to was guilty of illegal practice of medicine, and suggested that remedial action might be instituted through the district attorney or the Board of Medical Examiners.

It was moved by Henry Rogers, seconded by Harry Wilson, that the Council of the California Medical Association address a letter to the Board of Medical Examiners, requesting it to investigate and take appropriate action. Carried.

38. Corporate Practice.

Legal Counsel Peart stated that he had written to Dr. B. W. Hummelt, regarding facts concerning the medical and hospital services offered by a mining company at Nevada City.

39. Social Security Taxes.

It was moved by George Reinle, seconded by Elbridge Best, that the Legal Counsel be authorized to bring suit for refund of moneys paid for Social Security taxes, to cover the period during which a prior ruling had exempted the Association. Carried.

40. Smith vs. Kern County Medical Society.

The General Counsel reported that an appeal had been filed in the case of *Smith vs. Kern County Medical Society*.

41. Graun vs. Harder.

General Counsel Peart reported that in the case of *Graun vs. Harder* a motion to dismiss had been filed and the case was at an end.

42. Malpractice Insurance.

Doctor Reinle of the Public Relations Committee and Legal Counsel Peart discussed the present status of mal-

* Minutes on file in the Headquarters Office.

practice insurance in California. Doctor Reinle stated that at present there seemed to be but one American company writing malpractice insurance in California, and that for only a limited amount, and with provision for limited practice. Mr. Peart stated that he had received information that a second company was now writing medical defense insurance in San Francisco. Doctor Reinle stated that the Committee on Public Relations was compiling a booklet on medical defense, and hoped to send a copy to all members of the Association within a few weeks.

43. Hospital Liability.

A letter from the Association of California Hospitals regarding effects of an adverse decision of the Supreme Court, regarding liability of nonprofit institutions for the acts of their servants, was presented; and in accordance with previous action of the Council it was referred to the Committee on Public Policy and Legislation.

44. Association of California Hospitals.

It was moved by George Reinle, seconded by A. E. Anderson, that the letter from the Association of California Hospitals, dated February 10, 1940, relating to an initiative measure on health insurance, be referred to the Committee on Public Policy and Legislation. Carried.

45. National Physicians Committee for Extension of Medical Service.

The Secretary reported briefly on the present status of this new organization and stated that he had been advised by the Executive Administrator that California ranked second in list of contributors and contributions. Also that President Dukes had been elected a member of its Executive Board.

It was moved by C. Kelly Canelo, seconded by Elbridge Best, that the National Physicians Committee for the Extension of Medical Service be approved. Carried.

46. Council Report.

It was moved by Harry Wilson, seconded by C. Kelly Canelo, that the report of the Council be put in form by the Chairman and copies be mailed to all councilors for suggestions, revisions, etc., prior to appearing in the "Pre-Convention Bulletin."

47. Medical Émigrés.

The Secretary called attention to a letter received from the Boston Committee on Medical Émigrés. No action taken.

48. Sobisminol.

It was moved by Henry Rogers, seconded by A. E. Anderson, that the action of the California State Board of Pharmacy in placing "Sobisminol" under Schedule "C" of the Poison Act, be approved. Carried.

49. Telephone Listing.

It was suggested that the listing of cultists under "Physicians and Surgeons" headings in telephone directories be called to the attention of the telephone company, since an explanation of the improper listing in some counties had resulted in the removal of offending names.

50. Loans of Annual Session Lanterns and Equipment.

In considering the advisability of loaning balopticon lanterns to allied organizations, it was moved by C. Kelly Canelo, seconded by F. A. MacDonald, that the Executive Committee consider each such request for loan of lanterns and similar equipment, and that loans be limited to those organizations which are approved by the Executive Committee.

51. Committee on Public Health Education.

It was moved by Henry S. Rogers, seconded by George Reinle, that the minutes of the Committee on Public Health Education, January 28, 1940, be approved.

52. Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn was unanimously carried.

GEORGE H. KRESS, *Secretary*.

Approved:

KARL L. SCHAUPP, *Chairman*.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF COUNTY SOCIETY SECRETARIES AND OFFICERS AND COMMITTEEMEN OF CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

The fourth annual secretarial conference met in the Empire Room, on the second floor of Sir Francis Drake Hotel, San Francisco, on Sunday, February 18, 1940, at 9:30 a. m.

Members of the Conference included: California Medical Association councilors and committeemen; and County Society secretaries. For editorial comment, see page 105.

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Program follows:

President Charles A. Dukes, Oakland, Presiding

9:30 a. m.—Announcements by Association Secretary Kress.

PART I.—MORNING CONFERENCE

I. 9:35 a. m.—Introductory Remarks by President Dukes.

II. California Physicians' Service.

Progress report by Alson R. Kilgore, Secretary.
Open discussion and questions followed.

III. Committee on Public Health Education (House of Delegates Committee: Special assessment).

Progress reports and talks by:

Frank R. Makinson, Committee Chairman.

Ross Marshall, Committee's Counsel on Public Relations.

Mr. Ben Read, Secretary, Public Health League of California.

Open discussion and questions followed.

IV. (Part B). California Medical Association Committee on Public Policy and Legislation.

Progress report by Junius B. Harris, Committee Chairman.

Open discussion and questions followed.

V. California Medical Association Committee on Public Relations.

Progress report by George G. Reinle, Committee Chairman.

Open discussion and questions followed.

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PART II.—NOON LUNCHEON AND REST PERIOD

VI. 12:30 p. m.—Recess for Luncheon. In French Room (lobby to Empire Room).

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PART III.—AFTERNOON CONFERENCE

VII. 2-2:30 p. m.—Conferences of Standing and Special Committees, and of the Conference Organization of County Society Secretaries. During this period, members of committees conferred concerning their work and reports to this Secretarial Conference, and also on reports to be submitted for publication in the "Pre-Convention Bulletin" (which will appear as a supplement to the April issue of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE). The county secretaries convened under the chairmanship of Dr. Robert A. Peers of Colfax, Dr. Glenn Curtis of Orange County acting as secretary.

VIII. Reports from California State Boards.

1. California State Board of Medical Examiners, Dr. Charles B. Pinkham, Secretary.
2. California State Board of Public Health, Dr. Walter M. Dickie, Director.
3. Agricultural Workers Health and Medical Association. Dr. Karl L. Schaupp (member of the Board of Directors of this nonprofit corporation).

IX. Reports by California Medical Association Standing and Special Committees.

1. Committee on Associated Societies and Technical Groups, John V. Barrow, Chairman.
 2. Committee on Health and Public Instruction, Roy E. Thomas, Chairman.
 3. Committee on History and Obituaries, Frank R. Makinson, Chairman.
 4. Committee on Hospitals, Dispensaries, and Clinics, J. Norman O'Neill, Chairman.
 5. Committee on Industrial Practice, Donald Cass, Chairman.
 6. Committee on Medical Defense, George G. Reinle, Chairman.
 7. Committee on Medical Economics, John H. Graves, Chairman.
 8. Committee on Medical Education and Medical Institutions, L. R. Chandler, Chairman.
 9. Committee on Membership and Organization, George D. Maner, Chairman.
 10. Committee on Postgraduate Activities, Dwight L. Wilbur, Chairman.
 11. Committee on Publications, Ralph B. Eusden, Chairman.
 12. Cancer Commission, Alson R. Kilgore, Chairman.
- X. Question-Box Hour: "The Good of the Association." The remainder of the session was set aside for questions on matters pertinent to "The Good of the Association."
- XI. Adjournment.

OFFICIAL VISITS BY PRESIDENT CHARLES A. DUKES AND PARTY

During the last year, a total of about eight thousand miles have been covered by President Charles A. Dukes and Association Secretary-Editor George H. Kress in their visits to component county medical societies. Among recent visits note may be made of the following:

San Joaquin County Medical Society.—On Thursday, February 1, President Dukes, Councilor Anderson, and Secretary Kress were guests of the San Joaquin Medical Society at Stockton. There was an excellent attendance, the guest speakers discussing organization problems.

Merced County Medical Society was visited on Thursday, February 15, by Doctors Dukes, Anderson, and Kress, the meeting being held in the city of Merced. Here, also, much interest was shown in the legislative and organization problems under discussion.

Alameda County Medical Society, at its meeting held on Monday, February 19, presented a conjoint program. District Councilor O. D. Hamlin introduced President Dukes and Secretary Kress, these state officers calling attention to modern-day problems in medical organization, and speaking also on activities of the California Medical Association. They were followed by Dr. T. Henshaw Kelly, Dr. Alson R. Kilgore, and Dr. Daniel Crosby, who

spoke on California Physicians' Service. W. Earle Mitchell gave a report on the Insurance Association of Approved Hospitals. Editorial comment is made in this issue concerning this meeting, at which more than five hundred members were present. (See page 104.)

Santa Clara County Medical Society on Wednesday, February 21, welcomed President Dukes, District Councilor Canelo, and Secretary Kress in a meeting held in San Jose. Here, also, many members were in attendance, the question period on topics discussed prolonging the meeting quite beyond the usual closing hour.

Tulare County Medical Society was visited by President Dukes, Councilor Anderson, and Secretary Kress on Sunday, February 25, in a meeting held at Visalia. In spite of the inclement and rainy weather, there was a good attendance of the Society's members. The Woman's Auxiliary also held a dinner meeting. Many questions were asked concerning medical service plans and problems.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION†

During the month your Committee on Public Health Education definitely launched, after thorough investigation, two phases of public relations work of far-reaching possibilities. One, which was accomplished, was the purchase of literature on health subjects, particularly stressing the relative positions of doctors of medicine and cultists, for distribution, under the supervision of the college physician, to students at Pomona, Scripps, and Claremont colleges. After a three months' trial, should this service prove to be of sufficient value, it is planned to extend it to all universities or colleges in California, so far as funds permit.

The other phase above mentioned was the essay contest planned for pupils in the high schools of California, to be on medical or health subjects selected by your Committee, with nominal prizes for winning students. It was decided to go ahead with this plan, and a subcommittee was appointed to work out the details. The advantages of instilling into the formative minds of the youth the proper perspective regarding the medical profession are obvious.

Your public relations counsel, Mr. Ross Marshall, reported that 1,564 members of the California Medical Association have returned the affiliation postcards sent out with Bulletin No. 2. The Committee thanks the doctors who returned the cards and earnestly urges those who have not done so to do so at once. Indicative of the value of these cards in our work are the requests from the Los Angeles and San Diego county societies that copies of the cards for their respective counties be furnished them.

Your Public Relations Counsel attended the annual convention of the California Newspaper Publishers' Association at Coronado and reports that the relations between the newspaper publishers and the medical profession are in almost every instance very good. He found publishers were very appreciative of the paragraph in our Bulletin No. 2, urging doctors to place orders for their stationery

† The Committee on Public Health Education was established through Substitute Resolution No. 6 at the Del Monte annual session, May 3, 1939.

The Committee on Public Health Education consists of Frank R. Makinson, chairman, Oakland; Karl L. Schaupp, secretary, San Francisco; Samuel Ayres, Jr., Los Angeles; Thomas A. Card, Riverside; Lowell S. Goin, Los Angeles; Junius B. Harris, Sacramento; Dewey R. Powell, Stockton; Charles A. Dukes (ex officio), Oakland. Mr. Ross Marshall is the public relations counsel of the Committee, and may be addressed at 408 South Spring Street, Los Angeles (telephone TUcker 2312), or 244 Kearny Street, San Francisco (telephone YUkon 2212).

with newspaper publishers who conduct job-printing plants, and that publishers frankly said such evidence of a desire to coöperate, if carried out, would produce tangible results.

Your Committee approved negotiations by your Public Relations Counsel with the State Department of Education for furnishing doctor-speakers for the program of Adult Education Discussion Forums in the high schools of California. Advocates of compulsory health plans have been taking advantage of this means of reaching the public, and our desire is to combat this by presenting our viewpoint. County secretaries and speakers' bureau secretaries have been requested to furnish names of doctors who will be available for this service.

Your Public Relations Counsel spoke at meetings of the Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino county societies (combined meeting) and the Monterey County Medical Society.

A state-wide publicity story quoting authorities that compulsory health plans have a tendency toward Communism or Naziism was sent out and received a good reception in the newspapers of the State. R. M.

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The meeting was called to order at the Jonathan Club, Los Angeles, Sunday, January 28, 1940.

All members of the Committee, except Doctors Dewey Powell and Charles A. Dukes, were present. Messrs. Ben Read and Ross Marshall were also present.

1. Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted, and Secretary Schaupp announced that the minutes had also been approved by the Council, with the exception that the employment of an economist for this Committee was not approved.

2. Unfinished Business.

(a) *Hygeia Subscriptions*.—Moved by Doctor Makinson that the action in sending subscriptions of *Hygeia* to the eleven colleges listed in letter dated January 18, 1940, to the American Medical Association be approved. *Carried*.

(b) *Essay Contests*.—Dr. Samuel Ayres was appointed chairman and Dr. Thomas Card was made a member of the Committee on Essay Contests in High Schools and Junior Colleges, with instructions to select three other members to serve on the Committee. *Carried*.

It was the sense of the Committee that the three additional members of the Committee on Essay Contests need not necessarily be physicians.

(c) *Public Health Information and Publicity*.—Dr. Thomas Card, Mr. Ross Marshall, and Dr. J. F. Griggs of Pomona College were named a committee to study the experiences of Pomona College in the distribution of public health information to students in the school by means of pamphlets from the American Medical Association.

(d) *Information on Medical Economics*.—It was moved that Doctor Kress be requested to make a contact with the National Physicians Committee in regard to information on health insurance which might be furnished by an economist on their staff. *Carried*.

(e) *Annual Session at Coronado*.—It was moved, seconded, and carried, that Doctor Makinson make the report for this Committee at the general meeting of the California Medical Association at Coronado in May.

(f) *Public Relations Counsel*.—Mr. Ross Marshall presented a report as Public Relations Counsel.

3. New Business.

(a) *Publicity for California Physicians' Service*.—Dr. Samuel Ayres, at the request of California Physicians' Service, asked that Mr. Marshall be allowed to give news releases in relation to California Physicians' Service when opportunity afforded and that California Physicians' Serv-

ice be given publicity in speaking engagements of members of the Speakers' Bureau.

It was moved, seconded and carried, that the Committee on Public Health Education include publicity regarding California Physicians' Service with its other activities.

(b) *Speakers for Adult Education Classes*.—It was moved and seconded that the Speakers' Bureau furnish names of speakers on appropriate subjects to Mr. Verne Landreth for participation in adult education forums and that the necessary travel expenses for speakers be paid by this Committee. *Carried*.

(c) *Publicity Through Motion Pictures*.—Mr. Dwaine Esper appeared before the Committee with the suggestion of using motion pictures as a means of spreading favorable medical information. Dr. Samuel Ayres, Chairman, and Doctors Goin and Card were appointed a committee to investigate this type of publicity and to make recommendations.

(d) *Medical Libraries*.—Dr. Dewey Powell was named chairman of a committee to recommend books on medical subjects for placement in public libraries, with power to appoint the remaining members of the Committee.

4. Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

KARL L. SCHAUPP, *Secretary*.

Approved:

FRANK R. MAKINSON, *Chairman*.

C. M. A. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC RELATIONS†

THE NATIONAL HEALTH ACT

Excerpts which follow are from an address by Hon. Edward R. Burke, Congressman from Nebraska, given before the Chicago Medical Society on December 6, 1939:

"The so-called National Health Act, S. 1620, introduced by Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York, in February, 1939, and considered at extensive hearings before a subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Education and Labor during April, May, June, and July, is approaching a stage requiring a decision by the Congress. It is assumed that the bill may be reported to the Senate during the coming session and that it may be pressed to a vote in both Houses while the primary and election campaigns of 1940 are in progress.

"Seldom has more formidable propaganda in behalf of legislation been organized than in the case of this measure. The bill had its genesis in the work of committees organized under the President's Committee on Economic Security, which formulated the general outlines of the program incorporated in the Social Security Act of 1935. Following the enactment of that law President Roosevelt, in August 1935, appointed the Interdepartmental Committee to Coördinate Health and Welfare Activities. The Committee, with the assistance of a technical committee, selected from Government departments, prepared the comprehensive program which is the basis of the present Wagner Bill. A general conference, selected for the most part from groups known to be favorable, considered the program in July, 1938. President Roosevelt submitted the report of his committee, together with his own endorsement, to Congress in January, 1939.

†The complete roster of the Committee on Public Relations is printed on page 2 of the front advertising section of each issue. Dr. George G. Reinle of Oakland is the chairman, and Dr. George H. Kress is the secretary. Component county societies and California Medical Association members are invited to present their problems to the committee. All communications should be sent to the director of the department, Dr. George H. Kress, Room 2004, Four Fifty Sutter Street, San Francisco.

"The bill upon its introduction in the Senate was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor rather than to the Committee on Finance, which was in charge of the Social Security Act and which in the 1939 regular session reported and obtained the enactment of comprehensive amendments to the original law. The present Wagner Bill is in the form of amendments to several titles of the Social Security Act, with all of which the Finance Committee is intimately familiar. The assumption is that the proponents of the bill believed the prospect for complete approval of their far-reaching plan was better at the hands of the Committee on Education and Labor, whose members were selected chiefly because of their interest in subjects related to education and labor, rather than if it were entrusted to the Committee on Finance, whose members have as their primary responsibility the raising of revenues to meet the costs of the Government.

"The subcommittee which conducted hearings was composed of Senators James E. Murray of Montana (chairman), Vic Donahey of Ohio, Allen J. Ellender of Louisiana, and Robert M. LaFollette of Wisconsin.

Objectives Worthy—Means Doubtful

"Emphasis upon objectives rather than methods has become a common practice in the promotion of panaceas for existing evils. The official title of the bill, 'the National Health Act of 1939,' appears to indicate a program to which no objection can be advanced. The title, however, typifies the objectives rather than methods of accomplishing them. Everyone wishes to promote the national health. Anyone found in opposition is accused of sinister motives. A member of Congress seeking reelection takes his political life in his hands when he ventures to vote against a bill which, on its face, advances the health of the nation and provides better care for the underprivileged portion of the population. . . .

Four Objections

"Objection to the pending National Health Act may be grouped around four points as follows:

"1. Enactment of the legislation would be a further step toward a centralization of authority in the Federal Government and a destruction of the sovereignty of the states.

"2. Paternalistic features of the plan would weaken the moral fiber and tear down habits of self-reliance and the exercise of individual initiative which have been fundamental characteristics of the American people under our system of government.

"3. The origin and manner of presentation of the program afford a striking example of the tendency of bureaucracy to expand its power.

"4. Cost of the program, on top of tremendous obligations already assumed for social services, would be a serious drain on the budgets of Federal and State Governments, and its financing would add a further obstacle to the functioning of our economic structure.

State Sovereignty Destroyed

"The dual system of government, under which the Federal Government and the States each possess sovereignty in their respective fields, has been one of the checks and balances which has kept the United States on an even keel through the years. It has helped to prevent a centralization of authority in the Federal Government, which inevitably would have led to abuses of power resulting in a breakdown of the governmental system. Except for the existence of the checks and balances provided by the dual form of government, the division of powers of the Federal Government among three coordinate branches, and the guaranties of individual liberties in the Bill of Rights, the United States might have been caught in the world movement toward dictatorship. Even with the existence of

these checks, we have witnessed an alarming tendency toward centralization of power.

"From the beginning of our Government, matters relating to the health of the people have been primarily the concern of the states and local governments. It has been contrary to our system to regiment our people from Washington, even if the regimentation is intended to improve their health. . . .

"In the past decade the storm and stress of depression have been responsible for a very great increase in federal power at the expense of the states. To some extent this movement has been based on necessity. . . .

"The proponents of the National Health Act emphasize that it does not provide for federal administration of the expanded health program. As described by the President in his special message to Congress last January, 'the essence of the program recommended by the committee is federal-state cooperation.' It is true, as he stated, that the bill, instead of proposing a great expansion of federal health services, provides for a comprehensive program to be administered by states and localities with the assistance of federal grants-in-aid.

"Nevertheless, the program contemplates the expenditure of federal funds to meet a very considerable part of the costs and requires federal approval of the original plans of the states and of their administration. The Federal Government proposes to coerce the states into embarking upon elaborate health programs, whether or not an acute need may exist or whether the local share of the funds might be better expended for other purposes. Thereafter, the Federal Government proposes to remain in complete control, a state exercising its discretion only at the peril of being cut off from federal funds.

"The Federal Government will be in a position to coerce the states to adopt health programs. . . .

"In effect, the sovereignty of the states will be destroyed. The administrative agencies in the states will become mere puppets of the Federal Government. All of this would not be strange in a totalitarian government of Europe, but it would represent a flagrant violation of our principles of government. . . .

"According to the sponsors of the plan, total expenditures of the Federal Government and the states by the time the program has been in operation for ten years will amount to as much as \$850,000,000 annually. The federal part of this cost will be considerably more than the \$270,000,000 indicated for the third fiscal year. . . .

Red Tape

"Some idea of the maze of red tape which will be involved in the contacts between the States and the Federal Government may be gained from this scattering of authority among these three different federal agencies. It is more than likely that in most States all of the health services will be under a single agency, which will be subject to the orders of three federal agencies, the Children's Bureau, the Public Health Service, and the Social Security Board. . . .

"It requires no further elaboration of the details of the legislation to prove that the Federal Government will be in complete control of activities which under our system of government are the primary responsibility of the states, counties, and municipalities. The system of dual sovereignty is completely destroyed with respect to these activities.

"The entire program smacks of paternalism. It is proposed that the Government do for citizens what they have been accustomed to do for themselves. Such a program is not out of place in Socialistic or Fascist governments, but is in sharp contrast to the habits of individual initiative and self-reliance which have formed the basis of our system of free enterprise.

"Our experience with relief programs in recent years has given everyone first-hand evidence of the demoralizing effects of a paternalistic system. Provision for relief has been necessary, but it has been demonstrated conclusively that the dispensing of relief on too liberal a basis and without local responsibility for its cost is weakening the moral fiber of our citizens.

"The testimony before the Senate subcommittee made it evident that the health program has been drafted on a basis far more liberal than can be justified by actual needs.

Heads Toward Socialized Medicine

"Health insurance figures prominently in the program, although details as to the proposed state laws seem to be kept purposely in the background. While the Wagner Bill says nothing about compulsory health insurance, there is no question but that it is in contemplation. It means that federal bureaucracy will exert pressure upon the states to enact laws making this form of insurance compulsory to the same extent as unemployment insurance and old-age pensions. The model bill of the American Association for Social Security, which has been introduced in many state legislatures, provides for contributions from employers, insured employees, and the state government, the three classes of contributions totaling 6 per cent of the wages of insured persons.

"It is not strange that the American Medical Association has objected to health insurance with its regimentation of the medical profession to provide treatment in wholesale quantities to persons insured. The doctors are well aware that the treatment thus given in European countries which have health insurance is vastly inferior to that under our system of private practice; that the availability of health insurance in those countries has encouraged idleness of workers with minor ailments; that the medical statistics of such countries show that instead of improving the health of the people as a whole, the opposite has been true; and that far greater progress has been made in the United States without any system of subsidized medicine.

"It has long been recognized that one of the greatest evils of a government bureaucracy is its tendency to perpetuate and expand its power. No more glaring instance of such a tendency has ever come to light than the movement for the adoption of the National Health Act. The program was drafted within the federal bureaucracy with a singular disregard for the opinions of organizations of the professions most familiar with existing needs.

"The original sponsors of the program were Government officials and employees. The committee which presented the plan to the President was named by him and designated as the Interdepartmental Committee to Co-ordinate Health and Welfare Activities. Chiefly responsible for the details of the plan was a group known as the Technical Committee for Medical Care. The only members of this committee were employees of the Children's Bureau, the Social Security Board, and the Public Health Service. The testimony before the Senate subcommittee shows that the American Medical Association, the American Dental Association, and various organizations of other similar groups with a recognized standing were not consulted in the original framing of the program. The suggestions made subsequently by these groups when so-called conferences took place were completely ignored.

Need Not Shown

"There is a mass of evidence before the subcommittee to show that many of the assertions with respect to the need for the legislation are erroneous. Sponsors of the program are accused of exaggerating the situation with respect to a present lack of adequate medical care. Spokesmen for religious as well as other groups which maintain

hospitals testified that their capacity is greatly in excess of actual demands, and that construction of public hospitals on the scale contemplated is unnecessary and would be injurious to existing institutions. . . .

Confidence in Medical Profession

"In the face of the realities of the situation the proposal recently made by the trustees of the American Medical Association for the creation of a Federal Health Agency, headed by a secretary in the President's Cabinet, or a commission including competent physicians deserves consideration. The program suggested for coördination of health functions of the Federal Government, the appropriation of funds by Congress for allotment to such states as show actual needs in connection with the prevention of disease, promotion of health, and the care of the sick, continuance of primary local responsibility for the public health, utilization of existing medical and hospital facilities to the utmost, continued development of the private practice of medicine, and such expansion of public health and medical services as is consistent with the American system of democracy seems eminently sound.

"Unless the American form of government is to be gradually broken down, the United States should not tolerate a socialization of medicine or the complete assumption by the Federal Government of responsibility for the public health at the expense of the sovereignty of the states. Congress should resist the movement sponsored by the Federal bureaucracy for the broadening of its powers under the terms of the so-called but misnamed National Health Act."

COMMITTEE ON POSTGRADUATE ACTIVITIES†

Interest continues to grow in the postgraduate or clinical conferences. These refresher courses can be arranged through correspondence with the Association Secretary, Dr. George H. Kress, 450 Sutter, San Francisco. County societies which have not appointed a Committee on Postgraduate Work are requested to do so. Committees already appointed are urged to initiate the work in their districts. Reports on some recent clinical conferences follow:

Orange County Clinical Conference

At Santa Ana, in the Ebell Club House, on Thursday, January 25, a clinical conference was held under the auspices of the Orange County Medical Society.

PROGRAM

4:00-5:00 p. m.—Arthritis, Pierre J. Walker.
5:00-6:00 p. m.—Care of the Preschool Child, H. R. Cooder.
6:00-7:00 p. m.—Dinner.
7:00-8:00 p. m.—Fractures of the Forearm, Stelle F. Stewart.
8:00-9:00 p. m.—Infections of the Urinary Tract, J. J. Crane.

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Clinical Conference: Sponsored by Monterey County

A postgraduate course was given at Salinas, in the Monterey County Hospital on Thursday, February 1. Members of the Santa Cruz, San Benito, and Monterey County Societies were invited to participate in the Conference.

PROGRAM

9:30-12 noon—Six Gastro-Intestinal Problems, F. Kruse, David Wood, and Eric Liljencrantz.

† Requests concerning clinical conferences, guest speakers, and other information, should be sent to the California Medical Association headquarters office, 450 Sutter, San Francisco, in care of the Association Secretary.

- 12:30-1:30 p. m.—Luncheon at Santa Lucia Inn.
 2:00-4:30 p. m.—Clinical-Pathological Conference; Gastro-Intestinal Diseases; microprojections with specimens, etc., Drs. Kruse, Wood, and Liljencrantz.
 7:00-8:30 p. m.—Dinner at Santa Lucia Inn.
 8:45-10:30 p. m.—Three twenty-minute papers with slides, etc., on "Newer Diagnostic and Therapeutic Measures on Gastro-Intestinal Tract Diseases," Drs. Kruse, Wood, and Liljencrantz.

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Riverside County Clinical Conference

A Tri-County Clinical Conference was held at Riverside, in the Mission Inn, on Wednesday, February 14. The Conference started at 4 p. m. It was held under the auspices of the Riverside County Society, members of the San Bernardino and Orange County Medical Societies also cooperating.

PROGRAM

- 4:00 p. m.—Tumor Clinic, Clyde K. Emery of Los Angeles and Franklyn D. Hankins of Riverside.
 5:00 p. m.—The Laboratory in General Practice, Alvin G. Foord of Pasadena.
 6:00 p. m.—Dinner recess.
 7:00 p. m.—Types of Cardiac Failure and Their Treatment, William Paul Thompson of Los Angeles.
 8:00 p. m.—Lesions of the Colon and Their Surgical Treatment, Verne C. Hunt of Los Angeles.

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San Bernardino County Clinical Conference

A postgraduate conference for Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino County members was held at the San Bernardino County Hospital on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, March 5.

PROGRAM

- 4:00 p. m.—Low Back Pain.
 Dr. Alfred E. Gallant, Professor of Orthopedics at the College of Medical Evangelists, conducted a clinic, demonstrating the various tests for low back pain and their interpretation and discussed the newer concepts in treatment.
 5:15 p. m.—Vitamins: Their Uses and Abuses.
 Dr. Dwight Wilbur, Professor of Medicine at Stanford Medical College.
 6:30 p. m.—Dinner.
 7:30 p. m.—Clinical Round Table.
 This was participated in by Dr. Edmund Andrews, formerly professor of surgery at Chicago University, and Dr. Dwight Wilbur. The attending staff at the County Hospital presented two abdominal case histories. This was carried on in a bedside manner and was made very practical. In addition, one thyroid case was presented.

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Kern County Clinical Conference

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Kern County Medical Society will sponsor a postgraduate conference in Bakersfield on March 16.

An unusually good program is being formulated, and each speaker will be an authority on his subject.

The Woman's Auxiliary is planning entertainment for all visiting Auxiliary members. A dinner dance will be given in the evening. Arrangements have been made for a golf tournament on Sunday, March 17, at the Stockdale Country Club.

COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC WORK

ANNUAL SESSION PROGRAMS

In Los Angeles, on Sunday, January 28, at the Jonathan Club, Sixth and Figueroa streets, commencing at 9 a. m., the California Medical Association Committee on Scientific

Work met with the secretaries of the twelve scientific sections to receive progress reports and to arrange in final form the programs and schedules for the general meetings and those of the scientific sections.

In the November issue of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, on page 289, the plans previously agreed upon were outlined. The programs with abstracts of papers of essayists will appear in the "Pre-Convention Bulletin," which will be issued as a supplement to the April issue of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE.

Mornings will be given over to general meetings, no section meetings being held during these hours.

Specialty sections will meet on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. The Section on Surgery will also hold a meeting on Thursday afternoon.

Hotel information was given in the November issue of the OFFICIAL JOURNAL, on page 333. For detailed information consult the "Pre-Convention Bulletin," which will appear in April.

CALIFORNIA PHYSICIANS' SERVICE†

Bulletin

Status as of February 15.

Total groups	275
Total members	8,000
Unit value (December)	\$1.60

The most important problem confronting the medical profession in California today is the education of its members concerning California Physicians' Service. Ninety per cent of the obstacles encountered in attempting to enroll new groups revolve around a lack of understanding of the program on the part of individual doctors.

To cope with this the Council, at its last meeting, appointed a state-wide Steering Committee, consisting of Doctors C. A. Dukes, George G. Reinle, and C. Kelly Canelo.

At the meeting of county society secretaries on February 18, the subject was reviewed and plans made for activity in each county along educational lines. Committees will be formed in each county society with the intent that California Physicians' Service will be discussed with every doctor in the state and up-to-date information made available.

It can only be reiterated that California Physicians' Service belongs to no one group of doctors; it is the property of 5,150 professional members. If it is to meet the need for which it was organized—and if its growth is to be sufficient and swift enough to provide in itself an answer to recurring threats of compulsory health insurance—the whole-hearted active support of every doctor in California is essential.

The machinery is set up and running. We shall grow steadily and be all right if only a few doctors will quit giving the rest of us a black eye when they treat patients and talk to laymen about California Physicians' Service. Inform yourself and your associates, and use facts, not rumors, in conversation about your undertaking California Physicians' Service. Thank you.

† Address: California Physicians' Service, 333 Pine Street, San Francisco. Telephone EXbrook 3211. Alson Kilgore, M.D., secretary. Mr. Allen Widenham, manager.

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For roster of nonprofit hospitalization associates in California, see in front advertising section on page 3, bottom left-hand column.

COUNTY SOCIETIES†

HUMBOLDT COUNTY

The Humboldt County Medical Society met on Thursday, January 4, at eight o'clock at the General Hospital in Eureka. Mr. M. Wright, Rodent Inspector of the State Board of Health, gave a talk on his work in this area. Dr. Paul Hohman of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of California, explained the heart survey he is conducting among the school children in this vicinity.

The application of Dr. Rupert Hauser was read. Transfer of Dr. Wilson Stegeman to the Sonoma County Medical Society was approved. The resignation of Dr. Steven Fleming, on account of ill health, was accepted. The Secretary was instructed to write a letter to Doctor Fleming, expressing our appreciation of his services for the years he had been associated with us. A doctors' public-speaking forum was approved, and it was agreed that the medical society would provide speakers to the various service clubs upon request.

Plans for a joint meeting in April, with the nurses, dentists, and pharmacists, were made.

J. S. WOOLFORD, *Secretary*.

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KERN COUNTY

The Kern County Medical Society held a regular meeting at the Bakersfield Firehouse Auditorium on Thursday evening, February 15. Dr. C. S. Compton presided.

Dr. Dee L. Stoops and Dr. F. E. Walthall, both of Bakersfield, were elected to membership in the Society at the meeting of the Board of Directors on February 13.

Dr. J. Headen Inman, Chairman of the Postgraduate Conference Committee, announced that plans were being completed for the conference to be held in Bakersfield on March 16, and that a large attendance of physicians was expected from Santa Barbara, Ventura, Tulare, and Kings counties. Dr. Chauncey Leake of the University of California has been invited to be the speaker at the evening dinner, which will be followed by a dance at the Stockdale Country Club. Other outstanding authorities are listed on the scientific program, and members have been urged to cooperate in this, the first postgraduate conference to be held in Bakersfield.

Dr. Lloyd Fox then introduced Mr. Ross Marshall of the California Medical Association Public Relations Committee, who spoke on the *Work of the Committee* and also on *California Physicians' Service*. It was decided that a speakers' bureau would be formed as soon as possible in the Society, to provide speakers for lay organizations. Dr. L. A. Packard also reported on *California Physicians' Service*.

ERIC COLBY, *Secretary*.

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MONTEREY COUNTY

A joint meeting of the Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz County Medical Societies was held on Thursday evening, January 4, at the Hotel Del Monte. President Mast Wolfson, presided. Dr. Charles A. Dukes, President of the California Medical Association, and Association Secretary-Editor Kress gave talks on *Problems Concerned with Organized and Scientific Medicine*. Dr. C. Kelly Canelo, District Councilor, and Doctors Garth Parker and Patrick Davlin, representatives of the California Physicians' Service, told of work already done in that medical service organization. Dr. Dwight L. Wilbur of San Francisco discussed briefly, *Vitamins*. ARNOLD MANOR, *Secretary*.

† For roster of officers of component county medical societies, see page 4 in front advertising section.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

The regular meeting of the San Bernardino County Medical Society was held at the San Bernardino County Charity Hospital on Tuesday evening, January 2.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Dr. Walter S. Cherry, at 8:15 o'clock when about seventy members and guests were present.

There being no business to transact, the program was immediately given as follows:

Recent Advances in Anesthesia, by L. M. Taylor of San Bernardino. Discussion was opened by A. D. Neubert of Redlands.

Testosterone and Such, by Walter Pritchard of San Bernardino. Discussion was opened by I. L. Finkelberg of San Bernardino.

Newer Treatment of Gas Gangrene, by F. E. Clough of San Bernardino. Discussion was opened by F. H. Folkins of Redlands.

X-Ray Therapy, by C. C. Owen of San Bernardino. Discussion was opened by C. A. Wylie of San Bernardino.

The Use and Technique of the Miller-Abbott Tube, by D. H. Brumbaugh of Redlands. Discussion was opened by R. A. Vargas of San Bernardino.

The meeting was adjourned at half-past ten, following which refreshments were served.

ARTHUR E. VARDEN, *Secretary*.

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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

The regular meeting of the San Joaquin County Medical Society was called to order by President Hugh J. Bolinger in the Medico-Dental clubrooms, Stockton, at 8:15 p. m. on Thursday, February 1. The regular meeting was preceded by the customary supper meeting at the Hotel Wolf, where nineteen members and guests were present. The paper of the evening was presented by Dr. Dewey Powell, who spoke on his *Recent Attendance at the Midwinter Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat Conference in Los Angeles*. Doctor Powell stressed the importance of the very careful use of silver preparation in the treatment of the human being.

A communication from Dr. Junius Harris was received, suggesting that the Medical Society write a letter to Governor Culbert L. Olson, requesting the reappointment of Doctor Pinkham to the State Board of Medical Examiners. Doctor Doughty made a motion that such a letter be sent; this was seconded from the floor. President Charles Dukes then proposed that the name of Dr. W. R. Molony, Sr., be included in the letter. This amendment was accepted by Doctor Doughty, and the motion carried. Another communication was read from Dr. A. E. Anderson, requesting the appointment of a committee to investigate needy members in this locality. Doctor Bolinger appointed Doctors George Sanderson (chairman), Neill P. Johnson, and W. W. Fitzgerald.

Doctor Broaddus then spoke on the Postgraduate Committee's Course for the present year. He also stated that any instruments that were no longer usable or being used would be appreciated if turned over to him. These instruments are to be reconditioned and sent to the Chinese Relief Organization for use in China. Dr. J. W. Barnes then spoke in memory of Dr. Barton J. Powell, telling of his life's history and general sterling character. He presented a portrait of Doctor Powell to the Medical Society to be hung in the Medical Society clubrooms. Doctor Barnes made a motion that a letter be sent to Doctor Powell's family, telling them of the sincere grief of the Society at his death. This motion was seconded and passed.

The meeting was then turned over to our guest speakers, Dr. A. E. Anderson, councilor of this district; President Charles Dukes of the California Medical Association; and

Secretary George H. Kress of the California Medical Association. These speakers presented bird's-eye views of the activities of the California Medical Association and its sponsored affiliate, California Physicians' Service. The remarks of the three speakers produced considerable discussion from the floor and many questions were asked.

There being no further business to come before the Society, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10:10 p. m., when refreshments were served.

G. H. ROHRBACHER, *Secretary*.

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YUBA-SUTTER COUNTY

The monthly meeting was called to order by President Miller.

Dr. Harold R. Hennessy briefly discussed plans for the new venereal disease clinic. The appointment of the physicians to conduct the clinic was discussed by Doctors Linstrum, Wisner, Swift, Whitney, and Hennessy. It was decided that the appointment should be by President Miller and Doctor Hennessy.

Dr. Thomas G. Lupo was elected to membership.

Doctor Miller made mention that Miss Eleanor Hanna of the State Tuberculosis Association had been here and had contacted Doctors Whitney, Linstrum, Swift, Hennessy, and himself relative to organizing the Yuba-Sutter County Tuberculosis Association.

Considerable correspondence, received during the past month, had been conveniently displayed on a table for the members to read before and following the formal part of the meeting. Special note was taken of letters referring to expiration of terms of three members of the State Board of Medical Examiners, namely Doctors Pinkham and Molony, and Dr. F. W. Didier of the Yuba-Sutter County Medical Society. Letters are being forwarded to his Excellency, Governor Culbert Olson, asking his reappointment of these men to the Board.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. G. F. Norman of San Francisco, whose topic was *Calcium Metabolism as Related to Vascular Diseases*. His talk was discussed by Doctors Hamilton, Duncan, Thumen, Kimmel, Whitney, Didier, Miller, Lupo, Swift, Linstrum, Morris, Wisner, and Hennessy.

Refreshments were served, and the meeting was adjourned until the next regular meeting.

LEON M. SWIFT, *Secretary*.

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

New Members (19)

Butte County

H. M. Morgenstern, *Chico*.
Hans Schmidt, *Chico*.

Fresno County

John L. Vaught, *Firebaugh*.

Humboldt County

Frederick A. Olson, *Fortuna*.

Kings County

Elmer C. Bond, *Hanford*.

Mendocino County

Stanley L. Rea, *Ukiah*.

Orange County

Walter Saul, *Orange*.

Sacramento County

George T. Akamatsu, *Walnut Grove*.
Jack V. Chambers, *Sacramento*.

Joseph R. Dillon, *Sacramento*.

Ugo J. Pucci, *Sacramento*.

Emilio E. Varanini, Jr., *Sacramento*.

San Francisco County

Jacob Kasanin, *San Francisco*.

San Joaquin County

James O. Greenwell, *French Camp*.

Santa Cruz County

Marcel D. Marquess, *Santa Cruz*.

Solano County

Paul F. Dieffenbacher, *Vallejo*.

Walter A. Fort, *Vallejo*.

Edwin G. Simmer, *Vallejo*.

Sonoma County

Hazel N. Woodruff, *Cotati*.

Transfers (13)

Lavon Bramwell, from San Bernardino County to Orange County.

Burt L. Davis, from San Francisco County to Los Angeles County.

Rudolph L. Dresel, from Santa Clara County to San Francisco County.

Roy L. Fielder, from San Francisco County to Los Angeles County.

Jacques P. Gray, from San Francisco County to Alameda County.

Harold R. Hennessy, from Los Angeles County to Yuba-Sutter County.

Miriam Pool Huff, from San Diego County to Humboldt County.

Walter Rapaport, from Napa County to Mendocino County.

Leslie A. Runyon, from Lassen-Plumas County to Butte County.

Lewis F. Seapy, from San Francisco County to Los Angeles County.

Gustave H. Taubles, from San Francisco County to Monterey County.

A. R. Thompson, from Solano County to the Nevada State Association.

R. L. Wagner, from San Francisco County to Connecticut State Association.

Resigned (6)

Arthur E. Coyne, from Los Angeles County.

Vera Sadicoff Goldman, from San Francisco County.

Reginald F. Grant, from San Francisco County.

Edgar J. Poth, from San Francisco County.

George F. Shiels, from San Mateo County.

James W. Shumate, from San Francisco County.

In Memoriam

Barclay, Henry Aretas. Died at San Diego, January 24, 1940, age 71. Graduate of Denver and Gross College of Medicine, 1906. Licensed in California in 1917. Doctor Barclay was a member of the San Diego County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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Boardman, Walter Whitney. Died at San Francisco, February 11, 1940, age 57. Graduate of Cooper Medical College, San Francisco, 1909, and licensed in California the same year. Doctor Boardman was a member of the

San Francisco County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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Brimhall, Silas Johnson. Died at Oakland, January 30, 1940, age 67. Graduate of the University of Minnesota Medical School, Minneapolis, 1902. Licensed in California in 1905. Doctor Brimhall was a member of the Alameda County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

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Burrall, George Merriman. Died at Los Angeles, January 14, 1940, age 43. Graduate of the University of California Medical School, San Francisco, 1923, and licensed in California the same year. Doctor Burrall was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

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Foshay, Arthur Wellesley. Died at Oakland, January 13, 1940, age 64. Graduate of the University of California Medical School, San Francisco, 1904, and licensed in California the same year. Doctor Foshay was a member of the Alameda County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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Kile, Robert Francis. Died at San Francisco, January 31, 1940, age 52. Graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, 1919. Licensed in California in 1921. Doctor Kile was a member of the San Francisco County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

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Love, Edward C. Died at Oakland, January 18, 1940, age 69. Graduate of the California Eclectic Medical College, Los Angeles, 1895. Licensed in California in 1898. Doctor Love was a member of the Napa County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

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Moore, Albert William. Died at Los Angeles, January 20, 1940, age 63. Graduate of the University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles, 1904, and licensed in California the same year. Doctor Moore was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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Pettis, John Hibbard. Died at Fresno, January 28, 1940, age 62. Graduate of the University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor, 1906. Licensed in California in 1914. Doctor Pettis was a member of the Fresno County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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Powell, Barton Jerome, Sr. Died at Stockton, January 15, 1940, age 67. Graduate of Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, 1894. Licensed in California in 1895. Doctor Powell was a member of the San Joaquin County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Slattery, James Ward. Died at Mountain View, January 19, 1940, age 43. Graduate of the College of Medical Evangelists, Loma Linda, 1933, and licensed in California the same year. Doctor Slattery was a member of the Santa Clara County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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Taussig, Laurence R. Died at San Francisco, February 11, 1940, age 47. Graduate of the University of California Medical School, San Francisco, 1919, and licensed in California the same year. Doctor Taussig was a member of the San Francisco County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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Wilkinson, Allan Marshall. Died at Hollywood, February 1, 1940, age 64. Graduate of the University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor, 1901. Licensed in California in 1924. Doctor Wilkinson was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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OBITUARIES

Robert Francis Kile

1888-1940

Robert Francis Kile, a member of the San Francisco County Medical Society, passed away on January 31, 1940. Born in Lincoln, Kansas, in 1888, he attended high school at Canton, Kansas, and later graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine in 1919. Before completing his medical education, Robert Kile was an engineer, helping to build our Western Pacific Railroad. Later he specialized in roentgenology, doing work at Stanford, Saint Francis Hospital, and for the Veterans' Bureau.

In April, 1930, Doctor Kile joined forces with Doctors Ingber and Rodenbaugh, with whom he remained until the time of his death. His friends recall him as an ardent golfer and a valued associate, known to them all as "Bobby" Kile. He leaves a widow, to whom the Society has sent its sincere sympathy in her loss.

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Walter Whitney Boardman

1883-1940

For hundreds of patients and friends the cheery greeting, the encouraging smile, the sympathetic understanding, and the warm personality of Walter Boardman are now a memory. Death came to him on February 11, 1940, after a lingering illness.

Walter Whitney Boardman was born on December 9, 1883, in Oakland, California. After graduating from the University of California in 1906, he entered Cooper Medical College in San Francisco and received his degree in medicine in 1909. One year later he went to the Johns Hopkins Hospital for postgraduate study in medicine. He was particularly interested in tuberculosis, but while at the Hopkins he recognized the growing importance and potentialities of the roentgen ray. He soon familiarized himself with the technique and its application as then practiced and returned to San Francisco to become director of the Department of Roentgenology in Stanford Medical School. For the next few years he worked with great energy to develop and maintain this department, ever keeping it abreast of the rapidly occurring changes in the application of the ray to the diagnosis and treatment of medical conditions.

Throughout these years, however, there was being created in him a desire to become the doctor in the true and broad sense of the word—a desire to be helpful to the patient in a closer and more understanding relationship than was offered him by his x-ray work. For such a relationship he was admirably adapted. Just at this time, however, came the call of his country, and his plans had to be changed. He promptly entered the United States Navy as first lieutenant and served for the duration of the war. When he returned to the university he no longer supervised the Department of Roentgenology, but was associated with the Department of Internal Medicine in charge of gastro-enterology. The Medical School was not unmindful of his efforts and accomplishments and advanced him to the position of clinical professor of medicine. His professional ability was widely recognized. He was a member of his county and state medical societies, the American Medical Association, California Academy of Medicine, American Gastro-Enterological Association, and a Fellow of the American College of Physicians.

Then he entered the period during which he created for himself a monument which will long endure—the gratitude and affection of his many patients. His inherent quality of being kindly, understanding and helpful to prince and pauper alike, achieved for him the greatest measure of success. With it all he remained unassuming and modest, and gave unsparingly of his time and energy to everyone seeking his help. His greatest joy was being of service.

When at the height of his career the shadows of his final cruel illness fell across his pathway he unflinchingly and courageously continued to render service to others until the progression of his illness made this impossible.

To those who were privileged to know Walter Boardman his life will furnish an everlasting inspiration.

HENRY A. STEPHENSON.



Laurence R. Taussig

1893–1940

Laurence R. Taussig died suddenly at his home on February 11, 1940, of coronary thrombosis.

Doctor Taussig was born in San Francisco of a well-known pioneer family. He attended school in San Francisco and later received his academic and medical education at the University of California. His early interest was in radium therapy. He published several articles on this subject and did much of the fundamental work on the use of radium emanation. For many years Doctor Taussig supervised the emanation plant at the University of California Hospital. He then became interested in dermatology and syphilology. He prepared himself for his specialty at the University of California and in Europe. He was engaged in the active practice of his specialty and published many original articles on dermatological subjects.

Doctor Taussig was associate clinical professor of medicine (dermatology) in the University of California Medical School, dermatologist at University of California Hospital, consultant in dermatology at St. Luke's Hospital, Children's Hospital, Shriners' Hospital, San Francisco Hospital, and the Southern Pacific Hospital. He was a member of the San Francisco Dermatological Association, San Francisco County Medical Society, California Medical Association, American Medical Association, American Radium Society, American Dermatological Association, Academy of Medicine, and the Academy of Dermatology. He was actively engaged in teaching in the University of California Medical School at the time of his death.

Doctor Taussig's hobbies were yachting and photography. He devoted much time to his miniature camera and developed a very comprehensive collection of slides of dermatological conditions. These are of special value for teaching purposes. He was very quiet and unassuming. It was always his preference to remain in the background. He would, however, when necessity arose, defend his position with great force and vigor. His very modesty endeared him to his associates. Those who worked with him every day learned to appreciate his ability and character.

Doctor Taussig's sudden death came as a great shock to his friends. He was not yet forty-seven years of age, and apparently had his happiest and most useful years ahead of him.

Doctor Taussig is survived by his wife and two children, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.—J. M. G.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION†

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Official Notices

The eighteenth annual convention of the Woman's Auxiliary to the American Medical Association will be held in New York City, June 10-14, 1940, with headquarters in the Hotel Pennsylvania. In view of the fact that reproduction of the World's Fair will accelerate advance hotel accommodations, it is urged that reservations be made immediately through the Housing Bureau which has been set up by the American Medical Association, directed by Dr. Peter Irving, Room 1036, 233 Broadway, New York City.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS*

Article XV—Amendments—provides that:

This Constitution may be amended at any regular annual meeting of this Auxiliary by a two-thirds vote of the members of the House of Delegates present and voting, provided a copy of the proposed amendment shall have been mailed to each member of the Board of Directors and to the Secretary of each County Auxiliary at least sixty (60) days

† As county auxiliaries of the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association are formed, the names of their officers should be forwarded to Mrs. Karl O. Von Hagen, Assistant Chairman on Publicity, 5867 Whitworth Drive, Los Angeles. Brief reports of county auxiliary meetings will be welcomed by Mrs. Von Hagen and must be sent to her before publication takes place in this column. For lists of state and county officers, see advertising page 6. The Council of the California Medical Association has instructed the Editor to allocate two pages in every issue to Woman's Auxiliary notes.

* The notice of this proposed amendment appeared in CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, issue of March, 1939, on page 223. It is reprinted because of errors in the enumeration of certain years, which are now corrected.

prior to the date of said meeting; and provided further that said amendment shall have been published at least once in CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE at least three months prior to the adoption thereof; and provided, finally, that such amendment shall, prior to the adoption thereof, have been approved by the Council of the California Medical Association evidenced by resolution thereof.

The following proposed amendment is published as provided for in Article XV—Amendments:

Section 1. For the years 1940 to 1941 and 1941 to 1942 the Nominating Committees, each consisting of five members, shall be elected at the annual meeting, held in May, 1940. Each committee shall consist of five members, two of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors, and three to be members-at-large, elected by the House of Delegates. The members elected by the Board of Directors shall be elected at the regular meeting held previous to the annual meeting, while the members elected by the House of Delegates shall be elected at the first session of the annual convention. The Board of Directors shall designate the chairman of each committee. The Nominating Committee so elected for 1940 to 1941 shall present this report of nominees as soon as possible. The Nominating Committee so elected for 1941 to 1942 shall meet sixty days prior to the annual meeting of 1940 and prepare its report and submit the same at the first session of the annual meeting in 1941.

Beginning with the annual meeting in 1941, and annually thereafter, the Nominating Committee shall be elected each year in advance and shall consist of five members, two elected by the Board of Directors and three to be members-at-large, elected by the House of Delegates.

It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to nominate and present, in the regular order of business, candidates for the following offices: President-elect, first vice-president, second vice-president, recording secretary, treasurer and four councillors-at-large, to serve for one year or until their successors assume office.

Section 1 of Article IX at present provides as follows:

A Nominating Committee, consisting of five members, shall be provided as follows: Two members to be elected by the Board of Directors at the regular meeting held previous to the annual meeting, and three members-at-large, to be elected by the House of Delegates at the first session of the annual convention. The Board of Directors shall designate the chairman. It shall be the duty of this committee to nominate and present, in the regular order of business, candidates for the following offices: President-elect, first vice-president, second vice-president, recording secretary, treasurer, and four councillors-at-large, to serve for one year or until their successors assume office.

News Letter

Still another county auxiliary has joined our ranks. The Woman's Auxiliary to the Humboldt County Medical Society was organized on January 12, with twenty-one charter members. Officers selected to direct their activities are: Mrs. John N. Chain, Sr., of Eureka, president; Mrs. H. W. Comfort of Fortuna, vice-president; Mrs. Joe Brown of Eureka, secretary; and Mrs. John S. Chain, Jr., of Eureka, treasurer. Directors are Mesdames D. McIntyre, J. F. Walsh, Max Goodman and B. M. Marshall of Eureka, and Mrs. Rupert Hauser of Scotia.

May we wish for this fine group much success and a great deal of pleasure in their organization.

MRS. WILLIAM C. BOECK, *Chairman on Publicity.*

Component County Auxiliaries

Alameda County

A reception and luncheon, honoring Mrs. Frederick N. Scatena, State President, and Mrs. George Spencer, Corresponding Secretary, were given by the Alameda County Medical Auxiliary at the Claremont Country Club on Friday, January 19, when the president, Mrs. George Calvin, presided. The hostesses were Mrs. William Sargent and Mrs. Hobart Rogers.

Recent Advances in Hormones Affecting the Female Reproductive Organs was the subject of a talk by Mr. Donald Wonder of Cutter Laboratories.

Members who enjoy good music are looking forward to the benefit concert to be presented by Phyllida Ashley Everingham and Dr. Henri Sheffoff at the Claremont Country Club on Friday evening, February 16. Proceeds will go to the student loan fund for senior medical students.

MRS. RENE VAN DE CARR, *Publicity Chairman.*



Humboldt County

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Humboldt County Medical Association met in regular session on February 8 at the home of the president, Mrs. John Shain, Sr., who conducted the meeting. After reports from the different committees and a short business discussion, a social hour was enjoyed by the seventeen members. Hostesses for the evening were Mesdames Dave McIntyre, John Chain, Jr., and Joseph Brown. MRS. MAX GOODMAN, *Publicity Chairman.*



Los Angeles County

With the Physicians' Art Exhibit as a colorful and stimulating background, the Woman's Auxiliary to the Los Angeles County Medical Association met in regular session at the Association headquarters on Tuesday, January 23. Over one hundred members gathered to view the exhibit and hear the speaker of the day, Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin, discuss *The Life of Alfred Adler* by Philip Botome. Rabbi Magnin was introduced by Dr. George Piness as "a champion of the physician in the problems confronting the medical profession."

Dr. Joseph Savage called attention to the various art exhibits, narrating interesting bits of their history and that of the Physicians' Art Association.

MRS. WILLIAM BENBOW THOMPSON.



Marin County

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Marin County Medical Society met for dinner on January 25 at Deer Park Villa in Fairfax. Due to the inclemency of the weather, only nineteen members were present. Mrs. Matthew Hazeltine presided.

We were honored to have as our guests Mrs. Edmund Morrissey, President of the San Francisco Auxiliary, and Mrs. Walter Brown, wife of the speaker of the evening, Dr. Walter Brown, Professor of Public Health at Stanford University.

Plans for the annual bridge tea, which is to take place on February 14 at the San Rafael Improvement Club, were discussed. The proceeds from this tea are to be used for our philanthropic fund.

AGNES CAMPION TAYLOR, *Publicity Chairman.*



San Diego County

The regular meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the San Diego County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, January 9, at the University Club, the president, Mrs. William Cooke, presiding. There were fifty-eight members present.

Mrs. Harold Torbert, guest speaker, gave a talk on *Stores, Salesclerks, and Shoppers*. Mrs. Torbert was personnel director at Macy's in New York for several years.

Mrs. Frederick N. Scatena, State President, was the guest of honor. She gave a short talk on the history of the Auxiliary.

IVA O'HARA, *Secretary.*